(d) the details of underground sewage facilities provided in such colonies; and

(e) by when all these people are likely to be provided with potable water and other civic amenities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) According to Registrar General, India the population of the Union Territory of Delhi, as on 1st March, 1981 was 62,20,406.

(b) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Mini Steel Plants

1237. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI:

SHRI F. M. KHAN:

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of mini steel plants in the country;

(b) the number of mini steel plants facing closure or actually closed;

(c) what are the reasons for such a situation; and

(d) what steps Government have taken or propose to take to improve the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) to (c) There are 160 mini steel plants in the country. Of these 10 are closed at present due to reasons such as power disconnection, and financial, management and labour problems etc.

(d) Government have taken steps to improve scrap availability to mini steel plants by increasing imports and reducing the level of customs duty.

Regularisation of Sainik Farm Colony at Khanpur, New Delhi

1238. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to rsgularise the Sainik Farm a colony of ex-army personnel at Khanpur in New Delhi; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) There is no such proposal.

(b) Does not arise.

1239. [*Transferred to the 17th March*, 1987].

Installation of Statue of Smt. Indira Gandhi

1240. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to install statue of late Shrimati Indira Gandhi at a prominent place in Delhi; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is proposed to install double life size statue either in Bronze or stone.

Popularisation of Cheap Building Material

1241. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what concrete steps have been taken by Government to popularise the use of cheap building materials and to develop and implement low cost housing for the poor;